



MÉTIS NATION – SASKATCHEWAN FLAG

The Métis Nation – Saskatchewan flag builds upon the foundation of the Métis Nation flag, incorporating only two new symbols: a white buffalo and a tiger lily. The Métis Nation flag symbolizing the emergence of a new nation of distinct Aboriginal people was first flown in 1816. This new nation, the result of two peoples coming together, was destined to last forever, for eternity, hence the infinity symbol.

The Historic Métis Nation Homeland today is dissected by other borders, in our case the province of Saskatchewan. The Métis within this provincial boundary while recognizing the Nation as a whole, also has a regional/provincial reality. The MNS flag, by building on the national flag, portrays we are part of the Métis Nation while identifying our regional existence.

The buffalo were of central significance to the existence of the Métis who made their life from the land and its resources. The white buffalo, which were rare, held a spiritual value and reflects the connection between the Métis and the natural resources of the land. This close connection to the land exists to this day.

The tiger lily abounds in great numbers throughout Saskatchewan. It is a breathtakingly beautiful flower which has for generations adorned the Métis homeland. The tiger lily is also the adopted flower of the province of Saskatchewan.

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